transmission to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals for further action.

Increase in prices of antidiabetic and Anti cancer drugs

4214 SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of anti-diabetic and anti-cancer drugs cleared for use in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that cancer is a most fatal disease, ever known to the mankind;

(c) whether it is also a fact that most of the medicines for cancer have recorded price increase of 100 per cent and more;

(d) if so, what are the reasons for not listing them as essential drugs;

(e) what are the reasons for non-inclusion of the drugs for control of diabetes, which leads to blindness under price control;

(f) what are the combination drugs of Hydrocortisone, Tetracycline and Sodium Sulphacetamide cleared for use in India and what are their purchases for the National Health Programme during the last three years, year-wise; and

(g) the names of drugs not recommended for control of diseases, which lead to Trachoma and blindness alongwith the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) A list of anti-diabetic and anti-cancer drug approved for marketing by DC(I) is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Increase in price of drugs is monitored by Ministry of Industry, Department of Chemicals

(d) and (e) For the purpose of price control under Cat I all programmes have been identified to be National Health programmes which do not include cancer and diabetes.

(f) DC(I) has not approved any combination of Hydracortisone, Tetracycline and Sodium Sulphacetamide and systemic use. There is no purchase of these combinations.

(g) There are no such drugs.

Statement

Anti-Diabetic drugs approved for marketing by DC(I) since 1971

1. Glydiazinamide
2. Glucagon Inj.
3. Human Insulins.

Anti-Cancer drugs approved for marketing by DC (I) since 1985

1. Interferon Alpha 2-lc.
2. Aclarubicin Inj.
3. Ctoposide capsules & Inj.
4. Pepleomycin Inj.
5. Epirubicin Inj.
6. Estramustine Phosphate Capsules.
7. Prednimustine tablets.
8. Polyestradiol Phosphate Inj.
9. Flutamide tablets.
10. Bleomycin oil suspension Inj.
11. Nimustine Hcl.
12. Carboquone.
13. Aminoglutethamide tablets.

Exclusion of hydrocortisone eye drops

4215. SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the purchases of each of the drugs listed under Trachoma and blindness control programme during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the purchases of each of the drugs excluded under this programme during the last three year-wise;